Hancock County, IN Highlights

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Overview	Population	Education	Commuting	Labor Force	Industry	Income	Firm Size

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time

	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	44,697	48,155	54,495	59,220	67,282
Change Since 1988		3,458	9,798	14,523	22,585
Pct. Change Since 1988		7.7%	21.9%	32.5%	50.5%
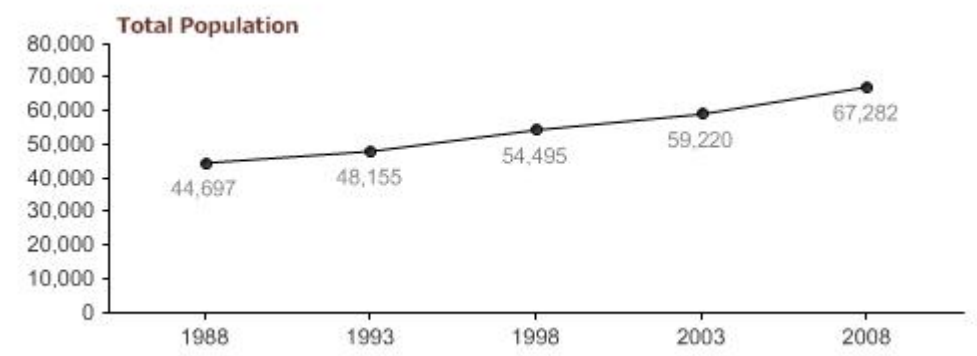
Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	643
International Migration	5
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	508
Births	1,021
Deaths	513

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	4,746	7.2%
School Age	12,018	18.2%
College Age	5,599	8.5%
Young Adult	18,256	27.6%
Older Adult	17,644	26.7%
Older (65 plus)	8,042	12.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	106	0.2%
Asian Alone	517	0.8%
Black Alone	1,587	2.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	13	0.0%
White Alone	63,627	96.2%
Two or More Race Groups	455	0.7%

Population by Race

- 96.25 % White
- 2.40 % Black
- 0.16 % Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
- 0.78 % Asian
- 0.02 % Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
- 0.69 % Two or More
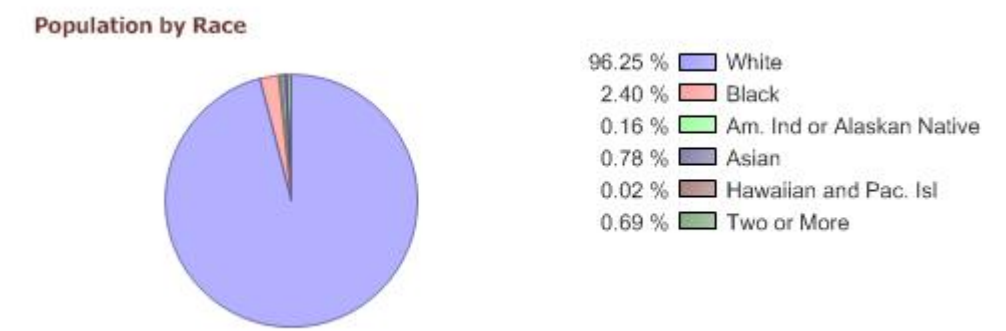
Hispanic or Latino

	Number	Pct. Dist
Non-Hispanic or Latino	65,440	99.0%
Hispanic or Latino	865	1.3%

Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	20,718	100.0%
Family Households	16,156	78.0%
Married with Children	6,294	30.4%
Married without Children	7,696	37.1%
Single Parents	1,304	6.3%
Other	862	4.2%
Non-family Households	4,562	22.0%
Living Alone	3,891	18.8%
Average Household Size	2.69	
Average Family Household Size	3.45	

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical	Pct. Chg.

			Chg.	
1950	20,332		NA	NA
1960	26,665		6,333	31.1%
1970	35,096		8,431	31.6%
1980	43,939		8,843	25.2%
1990	45,527		1,588	3.6%
April 2000	55,395		9,868	21.7%
2008	67,282		11,887	21.5%

Population Counts and Current Year Estimate
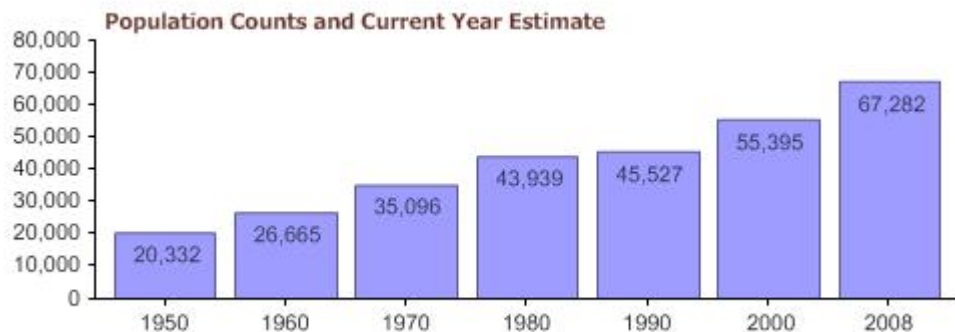
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	63,138	70,536	76,508	80,018	81,714
Change Since 2005		7,398	13,370	16,880	18,576
Pct. Change Since 2005		11.7%	21.2%	26.7%	29.4%

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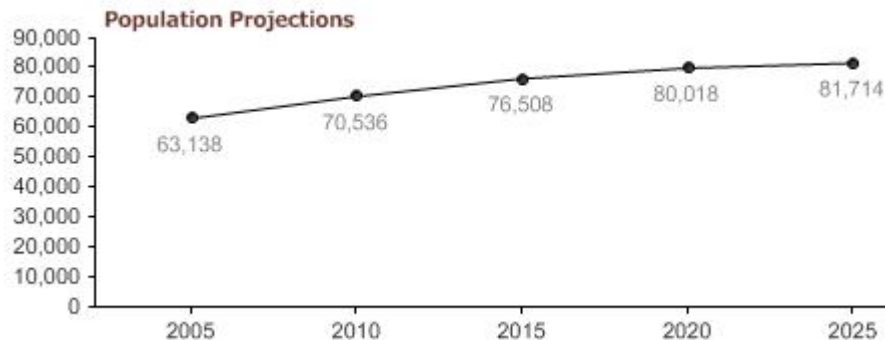
Source: Indiana Business Research Center